

**Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth**  
**LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION**  
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**NOTICE: MANDATORY SERVER TRAINING REQUIREMENT**

On August 1, 2001, the Michigan Liquor Control Commission implemented the new mandatory server training requirement for licensees obtaining a new or transferring more than 50% interest in an existing on-premises license to have server trained supervisory personnel employed during all hours alcoholic beverages are served as outlined in MCL 436.1501(1).

The pertinent provision of MCL 436.1501(1), being Section 501(1) of the Michigan Liquor Code of 1998, related to this requirement is as follows:

Section 501(1):

“...Beginning not later than July 1, 2002 and subject to section 906(2) and (3), the commission shall not issue a new on premises license or transfer more than 50% interest in an existing on premises license unless the applicant or transferee offers proof acceptable to the commission that he or she has employed or has present on the licensed premises, at a minimum, supervisory personnel on each shift and during all hours in which alcoholic liquor is served who have successfully completed a server training program as further described in section 906. The commission may consider an individual enrolled and actively participating in a server training program as having successfully completed the program for such time as the individual is participating. The commission may allow an applicant or a conditionally approved licensee at least 180 days, or more upon a showing of good cause, to meet the minimum training requirements of this subsection. The commission may suspend the license of a conditionally approved licensee for failure to comply with this subsection. The commission may waive the server training requirements of this subsection on the basis of either of the following circumstances:

- (a) The licensee's responsible operating experience or training.
- (b) The person's demonstration of an acceptable level of responsible operation either as a licensee during the preceding 3 years or as a manager with substantial experience in serving alcoholic liquor.”

At this time, the following are the only Commission approved server training programs pursuant to MCL 436.1906:

**TAM®: Techniques of Alcohol Management**  
1-800-292-2896 or [www.mlba.org](http://www.mlba.org)

**TIPS®: Training for Intervention Procedures**  
1-800-438-8477 or [www.gettips.com](http://www.gettips.com)

**BarCode®: Serving Alcohol Responsibly**  
1-800-968-9668 or [www.michiganrestaurant.org](http://www.michiganrestaurant.org)

**C.A.R.E.® - Controlling Alcohol Risks Effectively**  
1-800-344-3320 or [www.ei-ahla.org](http://www.ei-ahla.org)